Topping hurts trees.
It costs more long-term, it’s unsafe and shortens the life of a tree.

Proper pruning costs less, reduces storm damage and helps trees live longer. For more information visit dnr.wa.gov/urbanforestry.

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